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In re application of:

FREDRIC S. YOUNG

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Customer No.: 20350

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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2003, please amend the application as indicated.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.